# • U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

### Supplemental Statement

OMB No. 1105-0002

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

8 JAN 1993

For Six Month Period Ending

(Insert date)

Name of Registrant NEW ZEALAND MEAT PRODUCERS	S BOARD	Registration No.	2526
Business Address of Registrant 1110 N GLEBE ROAD SUITE 580			
ARLINGTON VA 22201	I—REG	ISTRANT	
1. Has there been a change in the inform	ation previously furn	ished in connection with	h the following:
(a) If an individual:			
<ul><li>(1) Residence address</li><li>(2) Citizenship</li><li>(3) Occupation</li></ul>	Yes □ Yes □ Yes □	No □ No □ No □	
(b) If an organization:	. 00 23		
<ul><li>(1) Name</li><li>(2) Ownership or control</li><li>(3) Branch offices</li></ul> 2. Explain fully all changes, if any, indicates	Yes □ Yes □ Yes □	No □ No □ No ⋈	
2. Explain luny an changes, it any, indica	ned in hem 1.		
IF THE REGIST	TRANT IS AN INDIVIDUA	L, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITI	EMS 3, 4, and 5.
3. Have any persons ceased acting as part period? Yes □ No ⊠.	ners, officers, director	rs or similar officials of th	ne registrant during this 6 month reporting
If yes, furnish the following information	on:		20 FEB - 12
Name	Positic	) <i>n</i>	Date Connection

4.	Yes \( \square\) No \( \mathbb{Z}\)							
	If yes, furnish the fol	lowing information:						
	Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed			
5.	Has any person name Yes □ No □	ed in Item 4 rendered services dir	ectly in furtherance of th	e interests of any for	eign principal?			
	If yes, identify each s	such person and describe his servi	ces.					
<u>-</u> 6.	Have any employees employment or conn	or individuals other than officials, ection with the registrant during t	who have filed a short for his 6 month reporting p	orm registration stater eriod? Yes □	nent, terminated their No ⊠			
	If yes, furnish the fo	llowing information:						
	Name	Position	or connection		Date terminated			
7.	During this 6 month rendered services to	reporting period, have any persons the registrant directly in furtheran lated or similar capacity?	been hired as employees ice of the interests of any Yes □ No 🌣	or in any other capacit foreign principal in c	y by the registrant who other than a clerical or			
	If yes, furnish the fo	llowing information:						
	Name	Residence Address	Positi conne		Date connection began			

#### II-FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

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8.	Has your connection with any foreign prinicpal ended during this 6 month reporting period?	Yes []	No <b>∀</b>
	If yes, furnish the following information:		
	Name of foreign principal	Date of Term	ination
9.	Have you acquired any new foreign principal¹ during this 6 month reporting period? Yes □  If yes, furnish following information:	No 🖄	
	Name and address of foreign principal	Date ac	equired
10.	In addition to those named in Items 8 and 9, if any, list the foreign principals whom you continued to 6 month reporting period.	) represent duri	ng the
	NEW Z EALAND MEAT PRODUCERS BOARD		
	IIIACTIVITIES		
11.	During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to named in Items 8, 9, and 10 of this statement? Yes X No []	any foreign pri	ncipal
	If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:		
	NEW <b>Z</b> EALAND MEAT PRODUCERS BOARD		
	SEE PAGE 10 ADDITION TO THIS STATEMENT FOR ELABORATION		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual or organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rute 100(a)(9)).

A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to his in the statements he files under the Act only those foreign principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

12.		nth reporting pe No <b>凶</b>	eriod, have you on	behalf of any foreig	n principal engaged i	n political activity <sup>2</sup> as del	ined below?
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	the relations into	erests and polic ored or delivere	ies sought to be in	iffuenced and the r	neans employed to a	vity, indicating, among chieve this purpose. It't etails as to dates, places	he registrant
13.	. In addition to the your foreign prin	e above describe ncipals?	ed activities, if any Yes □	y, have you engaged No ⊠	l in activity on your o	wn behalf which benefit	s any or all of
	If yes, describe f	fully.					

The term "political activities" means the dissemination of political propaganda and any other activity which the person engaging therein believes will, or which he intends to, prevail upon, indoctrinate, convert, induce, persuade, or in any other way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the Pinted States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political parity.

#### IV--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

4. (a	statement, or from	th reporting period, have any other source, for or in t ation or otherwise?	he interests of any s	any foreign principal uch foreign principal, a No []]	named in Items 8, 9 and 10 of this any contributions, income or money
	If yes, set forth bel	ow in the required detail	and separately for	each foreign principal	an account of such monies.3
	Date	From Whoi	m	Purpose	Amoun
	SEE PAGE 11	ADDITION TO THI	S STATEMENT	FOR ELABORAT	ION
					Total
(b)	RECEIPTS—THINGS OF During this 6 mont named in Items 8, 9	h reporting period, have y and 10 of this statement,	ou received any thi or from any other so	ng of value <sup>4</sup> other than ource, for or in the inte	n money from any foreign principal crests of any such foreign principal?
	If yes, furnish the f	Collowing information:			
	Name of foreign princip	Date al receiv		Description of thing of value	Purpose

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, money, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fund raising campaign. See Rule 201(c).

<sup>4</sup>Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

this statement?	Yes 🔀	No □			
2) transmitted monie	s to any such fore	eign principal?	Yes 🗆	No 💢	
f yes, set forth below in monies transmitted, if	in the required de any, to each forei	etail and separately gn principal.	for each foreign	n principal an account of s	such monies, includ
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Total

15. (b) disbursements—	THINGS OF VALUE			
During this 6 more connection with a Yes □ No	nth reporting period, have youtlined the period in the period of any fox 因	ou disposed of anything o oreign principal named i	of value <sup>5</sup> other than m n items 8, 9 and 10 o	oney in furtherance of or in f this statement?
If yes, furnish the foll	owing information:			
Date disposed	Name of person to whom given	On behalf of what foreign principal	Description of thing of value	Purpose
other person, made an	eporting period, have you fr y contributions of money or o y primary election, conventi	other things of value <sup>5</sup> in co on, or caucus held to sel Name	onnection with an elect candidates for pole of all all all all all all all all all al	tion to any political office, or
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communication or expressibelieves will, or which he section of the public wit government of a foreign coin the United States racial, political, or religious disorder.	Act defines "political propagation by any person (1) which intends to, prevail upon, inchin the United States with puntry or a foreign political parties, or social dissension der, civil riot, or other conflication or political subdivision of	ch is reasonably adapted loctrinate, convert, induc reference to the politic arty or with reference to t ns, or (2) which advocates t involving the use of force	to, or which the perse, or in any other way all or public interests the foreign policies of the s, advises, instigates, one or violence in any other.	son disseminating the same influence a recipient or any influence, or relations of a he United States or promote r promotes any racial, social ner American republic or the
16. During this 6 month to defined above?	reporting period, did you pre Yes 口 No 幫	epare, disseminate or cau	se to be disseminated	any political propaganda as
IF YES, RESPOND TO TH	IE REMAINING ITEMS IN THIS	SECTION V.		
17. Identify each such for	reign principal.			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

18.	During this 6 month report finance your activities in p	ing period, has reparing or dis	any foreign princip seminating politica	al established a bud I propaganda?	dget or allocated Yes □	I a specified sum of No □	money to
	If yes, identify each such f	oreign principa	d, specify amount, a	and indicate for wh	at period of tim	e.	
	NA						
19.	During this 6 month repor propaganda include the u □ Radio or TV broadcasts □ Advertising campaigns	se of any of th	e following: fine or newspaper cles	reparing, dissemina  Motion pictur  Pamphlets or publication	e films $\square$ other $\square$	the dissemination of Letters or telegrant Lectures or speeches	
	☐ Other (specify)	•					
20.	During this 6 month report following groups: ☐ Public Officials ☐ Legislators ☐ Government agencies ☐ Other (specify)	ting period, did	l you disseminate o  ☐ Newspapers ☐ Editors ☐ Civic groups o		□ Librari □ Educat		; any of the
	. What language was used ☐ English	ŊA	[] Otner	r (specify)			
	2. Did you file with the Regi disseminated or caused t	o be dissemina	ated during this 6 T $\mathcal{N}$	nonth reporting pe	mod. Fe.	, , , , , , ,	
	i. Did you label each item o Yes □ No □		NA				
24	<ol> <li>Did you file with the Reg propaganda material as r</li> </ol>	istration Sectio equired by Rul	n, U.S. Department e 401 under the Ac	t of Justice, a Disser et? Yes □	mination Repor No □	t for each item of su	ich political
			VI—EXHIBITS AN	D ATTACHMENT	S		
25	5. EXHIBITS A AND B						
	(a) Have you filed for ea	ch of the newl	y acquired foreign	principals in Item <sup>9</sup>	the following:		
		•	No [] No []	NΑ			
	If no, please attach t						
	(b) Have there been any during this six mont	y changes in th h period?	e Exhibits A and E Yes 🗆	B previously filed fo No □	or any foreign p	rincipal whom you	represented
	If yes, have you filed	I an amendme	nt to these exhibits	? Yes □	No □		
	If no, please attach	the required ar	nendment.				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form CRM-157 (Formerly OBD-67) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>7</sup>The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form CRM-155 (Formerly OBD-65) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

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6. EXHIBIT C	
If you have previously filed an Exhibit $C^8$ , state whether a period. Yes $\square$ No $\square$	any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting
If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C?	Yes □ No □
If no, please attach the required amendment.	
	NA
27. SHORT FORM REGISTRATION STATEMENT	
Have short form registration statements been filed by all of Yes $\Box$ No $\Box$	the persons named in Items 5 and 7 of the supplemental statement?
If no, list names of persons who have not filed the requir	red statement.
	4
	NA
accurate to the best of his (their) knowledge and belief, except accuracy of the information contained in attached Short Form within his (their) personal knowledge.	contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and of that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or m Registration Statement, if any, insofar as such information is not  (Type or print name under each signature)
(Both copies of this statement shall be signed and sworn to before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths by the agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar	ugulerritand
functions who are in the United States, if the registrant is an organization.)	Michael J. Muirhead
Subscribed and sworn to before me at Commo	nwealth of Virginia, County of Avlington
this 2 nd day of February	
	Mara F Dover
	My Government April 30 mm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, constitution, and bylaws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Internal Security Section, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530.)

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REGISTRATION UNIT CRIMINAL DIVISION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

# NOTICE

Please answer the follow	ring questions and return this she
in triplicate with your suppl	lemental statement:
<pre>1. Is your answer to Item 1 Propaganda - page 7 of F Supplemental Statement):</pre>	6 of Section V (Political Form CRM-154, formerly Form OBD-64
Yes	or No X
(If your answer to question 1 question 2 of this form.)	is "yes" do not answer
Do you disseminate any m registration:	aterial in connection with your
Yes X	or No
(If your answer to question 2 our review copies of all such film catalogs, posters, broch which you have disseminated du	material including: films,
Myssinker Signature	a 7eb. 1993
O Signature	Jate
Michael J. Muirhead	•
please type or print name of signatory on the line above	CARRESTANCE REGISTING
Director Market Services Title	

## ATTACHMENT IN ELABORATION OF ITEM 11

THE NEW ZEALAND MEAT PRODUCERS BOARD IS A STATUTORY BOARD OF NEW ZEALAND, WITH A REPRESENTATIVE IN WASHINGTON. IT IS A BOARD REPRESENTING THE MEAT FARMERS OF NEW ZEALAND. I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY SECONDED TO ARLINGTON VA OFFICE TO MANAGE ITS AFFAIRS.

## PRIMARY FUNCTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) TO OBSERVE, MONITOR AND REPORT ON THE MEAT MARKET IN NORTH AMERICA. THIS FUNCTION BEING PARTICULARLY RELATED TO IMPORTS OF NEW ZEALAND MEAT INTO THE USA AND CANADA.

VARIOUS MEETINGS WITH WASHINGTON ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS IMPLICATIONS OF MEAT IMPORT LAW, LAMB COUNTERVAILING DUTY.

(B) TO ASSIST TRADE INQUIRIES FOR NEW ZEALAND MEAT.

RESPONDED TO CALLERS SEEKING INFORMATION ON NEW ZEALAND MEAT RESPONDED TO QUIERIES REGARDING NZ LAMB IN THE CARIBBEAN

(C) TO LIAISE WITH THE NEW ZEALAND EMBASSY, CONSULATES, AND TRADE COMMISSIONERS, AND OUR ATTORNEY ON ANY DEVELOPMENTS THAT MIGHT AFFECT NEW ZEALAND MEAT.

KEPT INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING GATT, NAFTA, LABELLING/NUTRITION, MIL,

MET WITH INDUSTRY /GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS RE BEEF AND LAMB TRADE IN CARIBBEAN.

(D) TO ASSIST TRADE AND FARMING VISITORS FROM NEW ZEALAND.

ACCOMPANIED SHIPPING REPRESENTATIVES ON VISITS TO MEXICO. ACCOMPANIED BOARD MEMBERS ON VISITS TO NORTH AMERICA

(E) TO LIAISE WITH FARMER BODIES IN THE USA AND CANADA, SUCH AS CATTLE AND SHEEP FARMER ORGANISATIONS; AND ALSO MEAT TRADE ASSOCIATIONS.

ATTENDED CONVENTIONS/MEETINGS WITH AMI, MICA, ASI, NCA, NLS&MB, CANADIAN SHEEP FEDERATION, CANADIAN MEAT IMPORTERS

(F) TO PROMOTE THE NEW ZEALAND MEAT INDUSTRY

PLACED ADVERTISEMENTS IN PROCESSING RELATED MAGAZINES. DISTRIBUTED A NEWSLETTER PROMOTING NEW ZEALAND MEAT.

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# SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT IN ELABORATION OF ITEM 14A

#### PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 1993

RECEIPT		
MONTH	FROM WHOM / REIMBURSEMENT/PURPOSE	\$ AMOUNT
JULY	NEW ZEALAND REMITTANCE	95,000.00
AUG	AUGUST REMITTANCE	85,000.00
	MJM REIMBURSEMENT/PHONE	14.92
	MJM " "	15.92
	MJM "	15.92
SEP	NZ SEPTEMBER REMITTANCE	60,000.00
	BEEF PROMOTION & RESEARCH BOARD/TRAVEL REIM	120.02
	PROFESSIONAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/RENT SECURITY REIM	2,420.00
	MICHAEL MUIRHEAD/PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	15.92
	NATIONAL LAMB FEEDERS ASSOCIATION/TRAVEL REIM	796.78
	LAURIE BRYANT/CABLE REIMBURSEMENT	9.90
OCT	OCTOBER NZ REMITTANCE	75,000.00
	MEDIA GENERAL CABLE/REFUND	46.85
	MJM/CABLE REIMBURSEMENT	15.92
	CITY FALLS CHURCH/WATER REIMBURSEMENT	2.68
VOV	NOVEMBER NZ REMITTANCE	75,000.00
	MJM/PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	15.92
	EXECUTIVE SUITE TRAVEL/REIMBURSEMENT PRETICKET CHG	50.00
DEC	DECEMBER NZ REMITTANCE	75,000.00
	LIB REIMBURSEMENT NZ TKT	1,693.00
	LIB REIMBFURSEMENT CABLE	33.85
	MJM TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	53.75
	MJM PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	, 15.92
	EX SUITE TRAVEL/PRE TICKET REIMBURSEMENT	25.00
	$ ext{TOTAL}$	470,362.27

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# SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT IN ELABORATION OF ITEM 15A

# 6 MONTH PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 8 1993

#### <u>EXPENSES</u>

PERSONNEL	\$	158,847
COMMUNICATIONS (TELE, TELEX FAX, POSTAGE COPYING, OFFICE SUPPLIES, PRINTING, SUBSCRIPTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS, PUBLICATIONS, (TRAVEL \$39,807)		44,782
MOTOR VEHICLE		8,757
PROPERTY (OFFICE)		20,932
FEES - BRONZ & FARRELL WASH DC WILBERS SILBERT & ASOCIADOS MEXICAN LAMB SURVEY		50,306
DATA PROCESSING		179
PROMOTION (S LAIRD JENKINS CORP-ARL VA)		95,592
CAPITAL EXPENSE		8,344
ENTERTAINMENT		3,073
TOTAL \$	3	90,812

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# SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT IN ELABORATION OF ITEM 15A

# 6 MONTH PERIOD ENDING JANUAARY 8 1993

#### TRAVEL

#### LAURIE BRYANT

JULY SAN ANGELO, TX - SHEEP INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP SCHOOL (REIMBURSED)

AUG CALGARY - CCA CONFERENCE

NLS&MB CONFERENCE

OCT ORLANDO - MICA CONFERENCE

TORONTO, CHICAGO, DENVER - INDUSTRY/ASSOCIATION VISITS WITH BOARD

MEMBER

NOV BARBADOS, PORT OF SPAIN, CARACAS - IMPORTER AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

RE NZ LAMB AND BEEF TRADE

SASKATOON - CANADIAN COMPETITIVE CONFERENCE

WELLINGTON NEW ZEALAND - HOME TRIP FOR LAURIE BRYANT

WELLINGTON NEW ZEALAND - HOME TRIP FOR ROBYN BRYANT (WIFE)

DEC TAMPA - BEEF BOARD MEETING (REIMBURSED)

### MICHAEL MUIRHEAD

JULY CHICAGO - NZ FOOD & BEVERAGE MEETING

CHICAGO - NRA CONVENTION

MANZANILLO MEXICO - SHIPPING MEETINGS

AUG ST GEORGE UTAH - WEST. STATES REST. SHOW CHEF

NEW YORK - MICA MEETING

SAN FRANCISCO - WESTERN RESTAURANT SHOW

HONOLULU - WENDY'S PRESENTATION

OCT ORLANDO - MICA CONVENTION

JACKSONVILLE, MIAMI, NEW YORK, - INDUSTRY MEETINGS WITH BOARD

MEMBER

TORONTO - INDUSTRY MEETINGS WITH BOARD MEMBER

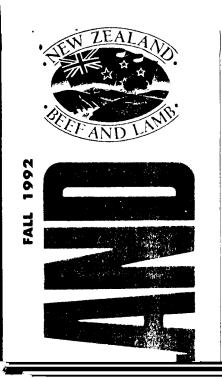
SAN FRANCISCO - MEETINGS WITH INDUSTRY MEETINGS WITH WITH BOARD

MEMBER

NOV GUADALAJARA, ACAPULCO, MEXICO CITY, VERACRUZ - BEEF STUDY

DEC BOCA RATON - MICA MEETING

TOTAL \$ 39,807





# NEW ZEALAND SETS THE STANDARD IN MEAT CERTIFICATION PRACTICES



Dr. Andrew McKenzie

ew Zealand's mild climate, fertile soils, and relative freedom from animal diseases and industrial pollution contribute to its efficient production of safe, wholesome meat. But these natural advantages are not taken for granted in the meat industry. Underpinning them is a complete quality assurance system administered by the Ministry of

Agriculture and Fisheries (MAF).

MAF is an integral but wholly independent part of the New Zealand meat industry. Its range of tasks extends from negotiating the standard required by importing countries, to the final certification of products confirming those standards have been met. The Ministry is involved in every step of the meat production process.

"All premises in which animals are slaughtered are licensed by MAF. All production in those premises is supervised by MAF veterinarians, and MAF inspectors examine every animal slaughtered," Dr. Andrew McKenzie, MAF Chief Meat Veterinary Officer, said.

Any materials, chemicals, and processes used in meat production must have MAF

approval, and animal remedies and pesticides must be licensed by Boards administered by the Ministry. An extensive surveillance program assures that meat affected by residues of agricultural chemicals, pesticides or other contaminants does not enter the food chain.

"This involvement throughout the industry ensures that every ounce of lamb, mutton, beef, and veal exported from New Zealand is produced to the high standards expected by consumers in importing countries. People who buy New Zealand meat do so with the assurance it is wholesome and presents no risk to their health or to the livestock in their respective countries," Dr. McKenzie said. New Zealand is a world

New Zealand is a world leader in research into meat inspection procedures and the development of risk assessment and hazard analysis critical control point (HACCP) methodology in meat inspection. New Zealand chairs the Codex Committee on Meat Hygiene, which is presently revising the codes of practice for meat hygiene, as well as meat inspection procedures and judgments. When finalized, these will set up-to-date standards for world trade in meat.

Because approximately 60% of New Zealand's export earnings derive from farm products, the country's insistence on protecting products from pests, diseases, and contaminants that might be accepted as inevitable elsewhere is both laudable and sensible. As Dr. McKenzie says, "New Zealand's agricultural future and economy depend on it."

# 3500 POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS SAMPLE NEW ZEALAND LAMB AT WESTERN STATES

# RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SHOW

In conjunction with two major New Zealand lamb importers, Pilot Trading of Lake Tahoe and the New Zealand Lamb Company of New York, the New Zealand Meat Producers Board exhibited and sampled lamb specialties at the recent Western States Restaurant Association Trade Show in San Francisco.

Held in the huge Moscone Center, the show attracted well over 70,000 visitors from all sectors of the hospitality trade. While not all of these visitors sampled our lamb, at times it felt as though they did, with so many people lining up anxious for a taste.

Our stand demonstrated the versatility of lamb with sam-

plings of economical curry, sweet and sour stir fry, kebabs, grilled loin chops, and delicious marinated leg steaks prepared barbecue-style.

Interesting and appetizing aromas from our specialties wafted around the hall, drawing thousands to our booth to taste the "real thing," cooked Kiwi style. Many of the visitors remarked, "We overheard how good your lamb was from others and came to try some for ourselves," then gave the lamb rave reviews.

This year, for the first time, we had a New Zealand chef (who hosts a U.S. television cooking show) preparing the samples and discussing recipes with other chefs and restaurant operators



-- a popular attraction.

Another bit of excitement, though a completely unintentional one, was a minor fire in the electric barbecue, caused by olive oil from the steak marinade that had collected in the bottom of the grill and ignited. Our successful efforts to dowse the flames before the overhead sprinklers drenched the whole hall certainly got the crowd's

attention! Forthnately, no harm was done.

The show gave us plenty of food for thought — despite the perception that Yanks do not like himbothe 3500 who sampled our wares without exception said, "Ilamb, it's my favorite meat." Many also asked, "Why is New Zealand lamb the best." That was a question we easily were able to answer!

# VISIT TO NEW ZEALAND



By Dale L. Huffman, PhD, Professor of Meat Science, Department of Animal and Dairy Sciences, Auburn University, Alabama

hile my first contact with New Zealand dates back more than thirty years to my days at graduate school, I was able to get a firsthand look at the country recently as a result of an invitation from Michael Muirhead to speak at the 1991 convention of the New Zealand Meat Industry Association in Queenstown.

My stay began in Wellington, where I participated in the first of four seminars scheduled for my trip. I was pleased to get my feet wet with such an enthusiastic group of approximately thirty representatives of the livestock and meat industry. My stay in Wellington was warm and friendly — just the right mix of technical discussion and fellowship.

From Wellington, I took the ferry across to Picton, then drove toward Queenstown. I was a bit apprehensive about driving on the left side of the road. The drive was very picturesque. I stopped and took pictures of the pristine beaches and domestic deer, and enjoyed stopping for tea or a glass of beer and a visit with the local people. Thanks to some folks at a pub near Kaikoura, I got a chance to see elephant seals lying on the rocks of nearby jetties.

Christchurch is a bustling town, with a modern McDonald's and an excellent motel. I had hopes that this McDonald's might offer the McLean Deluxe sandwich that our Auburn University group had pioneered, but no such luck!

I was escorted to the beautiful campus of Lincoln University for a tour, and had an opportunity to see some of the equipment Dr. Mark Young is putting in place for studies on body composition. The campus was in full flower and reminded me very much of Auburn, Alabama in springtime. At the seminar, I appreciated the keen interest in our work with low-fat ground beef.

From Christchurch, I drove west across Canterbury Plain and saw marvelous fields of grazing cattle, sheep, and deer. As the afternoon progressed, the snow-capped peaks came into view. This night found me at the Hermitage Inn at Mount Cook—a real treat.

I then drove back to Twizel, and on to Arrowtown and Queenstown. The setting for the convention was spectacular. We enjoyed a trip on the Dart River Jetboat, the air crisp, cold, and exhilarating.

Perhaps the high point of the entire trip was the opportunity to meet with MIA delegates during the conference. Many problems we face in the U.S. meat and livestock industry are the same in New Zealand, with the major difference that we have consumers close at hand. I came away with renewed resolve to improve marketing of lean beef, to look at the beef carcass as raw material, and focus more on several muscles and muscle groups that are underutilized.

An excellent tour of MIRINZ and a local packing plant helped me realize that New Zealand has a rare treasure in the MIRINZ facility. There is no comparable facility in the U.S. that is totally dedicated to problem solving for the meat and livestock industry.

My final evening in Auckland was spent with a small group of packers and a member of the press. In terms of knowledge of the meat and livestock industry, I took away far more than I left. I look forward to returning!

# EAT MEAT TO YOUR HEART'S CONTENT

ecent studies have found that anyone who thinks meat is unhealthy has gotten a bum steer.

Apparently, the many supposed "vices" of meat — such as heart disease, high blood pressure, cancer — actually are the result of fat. By selecting lean cuts of meat and cooking it properly, consumers can avoid these health hazards and benefit from meat's unique nutritional value.

Lean meat, for example, contains no more fat than a slice of lightly buttered bread. Yet it contains protein, minerals, and vitamins that are essential for

strength and good health. In fact, many athletes who previously became vegetarians for the sake of good health are now including lean meat once again in their diets. They have discovered that the iron and protein found in meat are valuable for endurance.

The first step is to choose meats that are naturally lean, and to understand more about the effects of fat.

The valuable nutrients are found in muscle tissue, which contains the protein, minerals and vitamins.

The muscle is a very concentrated form of good quality protein and is a rich source of



easily available iron and zinc and many other nutritionally important minerals. It supplies most of the B vitamins and is an especially useful source of vitamin B12, which you get only from foods from animals.

Also, eating meat helps your body to absorb minerals from vegetables and cereals you eat at the same meal.

There are two kinds of fat contained in meat. Structural fat is the fat that can't be seen. It is found in small quantities amid the muscle. The good news is that this structural fat is prima-

rily polyunsaturated fat, and also contains monounsaturated fats and omega-3 fatty acids which contribute to good health.

The other kind of fat is storage fat, appearing quite obviously as white bands or lumps. This is the fat that is unhealthy, but fortunately it can be easily trimmed before cooking.

By choosing naturally lean meat, consumers can enjoy all the benefits of "positive" structural fat, and discard the small amount of "negative" storage fat with a sharp knife.

Once the excess fat is eliminated, the meat should be cooked by a low-fat method.

But does meat that is good for you taste good? Yes! The structural fat included in lean meat contributes the delicious flavor we associate with meat, without detracting from its healthfulness.

### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS

sharp drop in the beef kill during July and August, although a normal seasonal decline, has apparently fueled speculation that New Zealand will not fill the 1992 restraint tonnage imposed by the United States. This speculation is a serious misrepresentation of the New Zealand situation.

In fact, New Zealand, having already entered 87% of the volume we have so far been allocated for the year, is much closer to filling its allocation than is Australia. (As of the middle of September, Australia had entered about 79%.) We say "allocated so far" because Central American supplies to date have been much lower than expected. A shortfall from this region could well occur, and be available for reallocation to New Zealand and Australia.

It is true that the New Zealand adult cattle kill during the 1991/1992 season has been lower than expected. However, the lower kill was almost entirely offset by a sharp increase in average carcass weights, which has meant that we have produced more beef per animal killed. Consequently, total beef available for export is in line with previous estimates.

As we have commented before, the lack of sufficient information from US Customs means that no one knows how much of the beef that has already been shipped from New Zealand has actually been officially recorded as entered. This makes it very difficult to determine the time when the restraint tonnage will be reached. However, there is no doubt that New Zealand beef will be forced into bond in 1992.

The inspection problems that arose in recent months in the Mexican market appear to have largely been resolved. However, it is essential that product sampling and testing take place at the port to avoid unreasonable delays in product movement while inspection is being carried out.

A Mexican official recently visited New Zealand and carried out the required plant inspections. While his report is not yet available, we have little doubt that our plants will pass muster as they are arguably the best in the world in terms of construction and hygiene, having to meet



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the extremely exacting requirements of both the US and the European Community.

The shipping companies have met the challenge of the ban on the transshipment of meat through the US-Mexico land border, and both direct and transshipment services to Mexican ports are now available. The remarkable growth in the Mexican economy will be promoted further by the North American Free Trade Agreement and bodes well for the continued development of this market for New Zealand meat. 🖵

# NZ MEAT PRODUCERS **BOARD IMPLEMENTS** \$30 MILLION/3-YEAR COMMITMENT TO RESEARCH

n October 1990, the Meat and Research Development Council (MRDC), established and funded by the New Zealand Meat Producers Board, began its mission of shaping longterm strategies for managing and guiding New Zealand meat industry research and develop-

Research to keep the New Zealand industry in the forefront of technology and farming sciences has long been recognized as essential by producers who export meat to more than 90 countries. New Zealand needs constant investment in research and development to sustain its lead over competitors. It must maintain a sound production base with economically viable farms, processing plants, and support services steered by livestock farming research.

To help meet these goals, the Board endowed the Council with an annual budget of \$10 million for its first three years. Money for research projects is awarded competitively and contracts incorporate performance targets to measure progress.

The MRDC coordinates research to a greater extent than was previously possible, relating research to benefits that can be applied specifically to the meat livestock sector. This gives farmers the opportunity to influence and control projects the MRDC commissions and oversees.

The MRDC's director is Dr. Alan Royal, former director of the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture Meat Division, Chief Veterinary Officer, and a director of the Wallaceville Research Centre. 🖵

Meny Ideas

New Zealand Fillet Steaks Stuffed with Blue Cheese

Serves 6

6 well-trimmed filler steaks

2 or butter

2 oz. blue cheese

blick pepper

a little oil

2 rablespoons chopped parsley

another Lor butter, melted

Liablespoon Worcestershire sauce

Cut a pocket in the side of each steak. Cream the butter and cheese with parsley and stuff the steaks with this mixture. Pepper the steaks, brush with oil and place under a hot grill. Mix the extra melted butter with the Worcestershire sauce and baste the steaks while they are grilling for about four

#### **New Zealand Meat Producers Board**

The Board's prime role is to assist in the development of export meat markets and to maximize returns to the producers and New Zealand. An office is maintained in the Washington D.C. metro area which assists the trade with information about the New Zealand meat industry. "Meat New Zealand" is available free of charge from:

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#### Other publications available at no charge are:

- · List of New Zealand Meat Exporters
- · List of North American Meat **Importers**
- . Lamb and Beef Nutritional Information
- Meat Specification Trade Guide